Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 18 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 19 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 17 Mar 2021 at 13:51 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for mostly dry, settled weather for the rest of this week and over the weekend. Lower confidence on day to day cloud detail.

Headline for Thursday 18 Mar 2021: Dry. Some mist and low cloud developing in the north. Sunny spells further south.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 18 Mar 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	10%	10%	10%

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Weather: Some mist and low cloud over eastern Cairngorms and Aberdeenshire hills becoming more extensive in the afternoon with a little drizzle. Dry, brighter weather for the Angus hills and the southeast Highlands with some sunshine.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40% in north improving 80% over Angus hills and southwards.

Visibility: Some misty conditions in north of area becoming more extensive during the afternoon and evening, clouds lowering well down the hills. Otherwise good visibility with clouds higher up the hills and breaking up during the morning over Angus hills – southwards.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	17/22 W	24/28 W	25/31 W	25/32 NW	27/35 NW	27/35 NW	28/35 N	28/36 N	23/29 N
900	14/18 W	14/18 W	18/23 W	16/23 NW	21/28 NW	21/29 NW	21/29 N	20/28 N	17/24 N
600	9/13 W	10/17 W	11/17 W	11/18 NW	15/22 NW	14/22 NW	13/21 NW	13/22 NW	9/16 NW
300	4/9 W	5/12 W	7/18 W	8/19 NW	10/21 NW	10/24 NW	7/18 NW	7/17 NW	9/19 N
Glen	3/7 W	6/13 W	7/16 W	8/18 W	11/23 NW	10/23 NW	6/17 NW	6/16 NW	7/16 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	3/-2	4/-2	3/-4	4/-2	3/-4	2/-4	2/-5	1/-6	0/-7
900	5/0	5/1	4/-1	6/1	5/0	5/-1	4/-2	3/-3	2/-4
600	6/3	7/4	5/2	7/4	8/4	7/4	6/2	4/0	4/0
300	6/5	6/5	7/5	9/7	11/9	10/8	8/6	7/5	6/3
Glen	6/6	7/5	7/5	9/8	12/9	11/9	9/7	8/6	7/5
Freezing Level*	2000m	1900m	1800m	1800m	1700m	1700m	1800m	1900m	1700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Still a cold feel on the tops with fresh winds and temperatures of 4 or 5 Celsius.

Forecast for Friday 19 Mar 2021
Weather: Mainly dry and rather cloudy with extensive mist and low cloud in north of area giving a little drizzle. Dry in south of area with some brighter spells developing.

Maximum wind: Northerly winds with average speeds of 15 to 20mph and gusts 30mph over higher ridges and summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40%, mainly in south of area.

Visibility: Generally misty conditions with patches of poor visibility in north and clouds well down the hills. The visibility improving good over southeast Highlands with more patchy cloud cover.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 Celsius rising to 14 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the tops.

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